

1857. CITY OF NEW YORK. 1883.

DEPARTMENT OF

PUBLIC PARKS.  
CENTRAL PARK.

FOUNDED 1857.



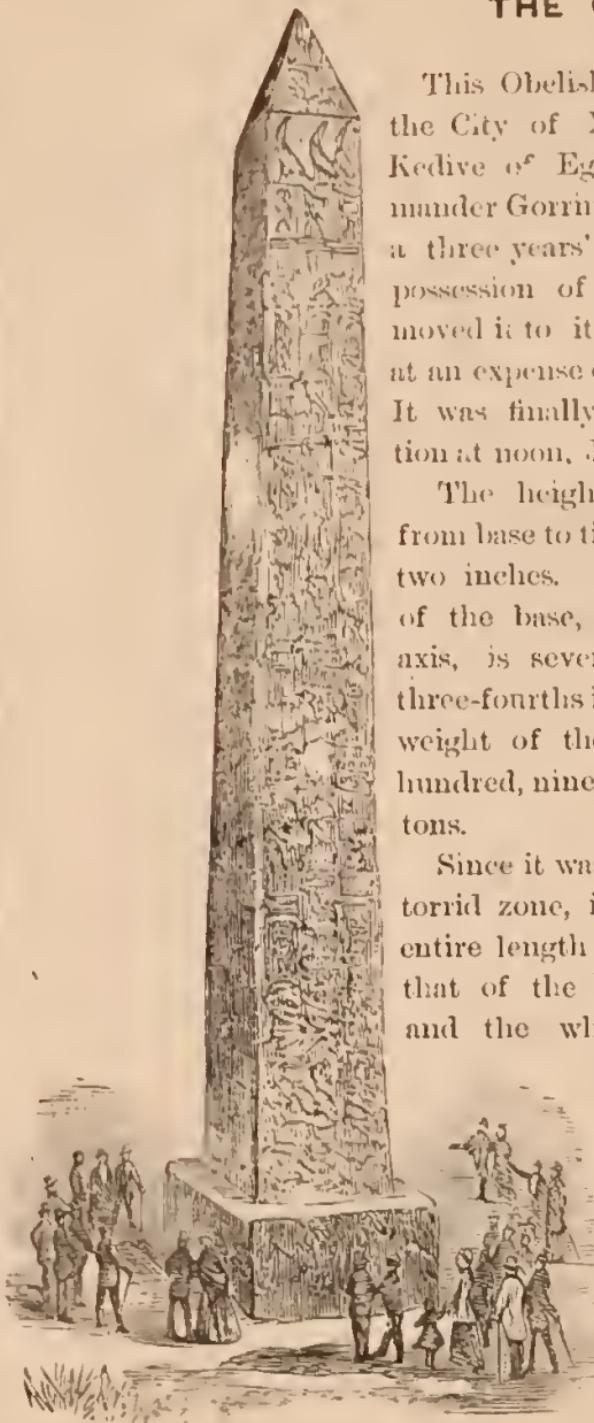
CENTRAL PARK CARRIAGE SERVICE, Organized 1869.

Carriages will leave the Scholars' Gate, 59th Street and Fifth Avenue, and the Merchants' Gate, 59th Street and Eighth Avenue, making the circuit of the Park, at brief intervals, from 8 A. M. till 9 P. M., and **MAY BE TAKEN ANYWHERE ON THE ROAD.**

*Fare for Each Passenger* for the round trip **25** cents. Tickets must be purchased of the Starter; and they entitle passengers to be put down and taken up at the Museum of Natural History, Mt. St. Vincent, Museum of Art, and the Terrace Bridge.

Carriages in going take the West Drive, in returning the East Drive, thus making the tour of the Park. In going you are driven past the Museum of Natural History in Manhattan Square, and the great Croton Reservoirs. The tower at the lower Reservoir is the Belvedere, from which a fine view of the Park and the surrounding city may be obtained. In returning, Carriages stop at Mt. St. Vincent, Museum of Art and the Terrace Bridge.

## THE OBELISK.



This Obelisk was presented to the City of New York by the Kedive of Egypt. Lieut. Commander Gorringe, U. S. N., after a three years' struggle obtained possession of the Obelisk and moved it to its present position, at an expense of nearly \$100,000. It was finally swung into position at noon, January 22d, 1881.

The height of the Obelisk, from base to tip, is sixty-nine feet two inches. The measurement of the base, square through its axis, is seven feet, eight and three-fourths inches. The entire weight of the monolith is two hundred, nineteen and one-fourth tons.

Since it was quarried near the torrid zone, it has traversed the entire length of Egypt, most of that of the Mediterranean Sea, and the whole width of the Atlantic Ocean—a distance of 6,400 miles, proving itself a first-rate sailor for an Old Salt of thirty-five centuries; having in the course of its long existance

seen Moses : Pharaoh and his host going to their destruction in the Red Sea ; Shishak marching to the Conquest of Jerusalem : Cambyses desolating the land ; Heroditus, Solon, Plato, and other Greek students of Egyptian lore ; Alexander the Great on his victorious expedition through the Land of Goshen ; six and a half centuries of Roman Sovereignty and Christian struggle at Alexandria : all the long line of Moslem rulers since Caliph Omar : and now looking down upon the million dwellers in this metropolis, whose site even was unknown to the Eastern world when this Obelisk had an existence of two thousand years.

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## TO VISITORS.

Near the Terrace Bridge is the BOAT HOUSE.—Passengers may alight there, where they will find boats in attendance to carry them to any part of the Lake.

Park-Keepers in uniform are on duty at all hours of the day and night, and will give visitors information respecting the Carriages and the Park.

MUSEUM OF ART AND OBELISK.—Carriages will stop here on the return trip. Fare from Museum of Art and the Obelisk to the entrance of the Park, ten (10) cents.

MUSEUM, MENAGERIE AND METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY, at the Old Arsenal, near 64th Street and 5th Avenue.

NO SMOKING allowed in the Carriages.

REFRESHMENTS.—At the Casino near the Terrace Bridge, the Dairy, the Arcade, and the Arsenal.

MINERAL WATERS.—At the "Springs."

MUSIC.—On the Mall every Saturday afternoon, when the weather is fine.

PUBLIC ORDER.—Headquarters of the Police in the basement of the Museum.

## CENTRAL PARK.

THE PARK is open every day in the year—the hour of opening and closing varies with the season.

	MILES.
Length from 59th Street to 110th Street, about .....	2½
Width from Fifth to Eighth Avenue, about .....	3
Length of Park Roads, about .....	9½
"    "    Bridle    "    .....	5½
"    "    Walks    "    .....	28½
	ACRES.
The Park contains .....	879
Which includes all within the Park limits.	
The New Reservoir .....	about 107
The Old " .....	35
The Pond, 59th Street and 6th Ave. "	5
The Lake, "	20
The Conservatory Water, "	2½
The Pool, "	2
The Harlem Meer, "	12
The Loch, "	1

## LOCATION AND NAMES OF GATES.

5th Avenue and 59th Street, . . . . .	Scholars' Gate.
5th " 64th " "	Children's Gate.
6th " 59th " "	Artists' Gate.
7th " 59th " "	Artisans' Gate.
8th " 59th " "	Merchants' Gate.
8th " 72d " "	Woman's Gate.
8th " 79th " "	Hunters' Gate.
8th " 85th " "	Mariners' Gate.
8th " 96th " "	Gate of All-Saints.
8th " 100th " "	Boys' Gate.
8th " 110th " "	Strangers' Gate.
5th " 72d " "	Inventors' Gate.
5th " 79th " "	Milners' Gate.
5th " 90th " "	Engineers' Gate.
5th " 96th " "	Woodman's Gate.
5th " 102d " "	Girls' Gate.
5th " 110th " "	Pioneers' Gate.
6th " 110th " "	Farmers' Gate.
7th " 110th " "	Warriors' Gate.